Cost over-run of Delhi Metro

1606. PROF. (SHRIMATI) BHARATI RAY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the on-going works in Delhi Metro and when it is going to be completed; and

(b) whether there is possibility for Delhi Metro to face cost overrun if it is not completed within the scheduled period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Delhi Metro Rail phase-I project comprises the following:—

(i) 11 km. long Vishwa Vidyalaya-Central Secretariat underground corridor.

(ii) 16 km. long Trinagar-Barwala partly at-grade and partly elevated corridor.

(ii) 25 km. long shahdara-Trinagar-Nangloi partly at-grade and partly elevated corridor.

Work is in progress on items (i) & (ii) and Shahdara-Trinagar section of item (iii) and is expected to be completed by September, 2005. Work has not been taken up on the Trinagar-Nangioi section of item (iii) as a proposal to replace this section by Barakhamba Road Connaught Place-Dwarka corridor is under consideration.

(b) Yes, Sir. Delay in completion of the project would result in cost over-run.